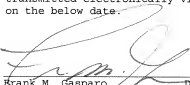


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REPLY

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2006, it is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be reconsidered in accordance with the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.